

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Todd J. Mortier et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3738
	)	
Application No.: 09/981,790	)	Examiner: Willse, D. H.
	)	
Filed: October 19, 2001	)	
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For: VALVE TO MYOCARDIUM	)	Confirmation No.: 6743
TENSION MEMBERS DEVICE	)	
AND METHOD	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

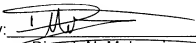
Applicant petitions for a five-month extension of time to file a reply to the Office  
Communication mailed on September 24, 2008. A fee of \$2,350.00 is enclosed.

Please charge any additional fees required to enter the attached Amendment to  
Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,  
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: March 23, 2009

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